(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Tamil Nadu	867	89	10.27
Uttar Pradesh	79	16	20.25
Uttaranchal	5	2	40.00
West Bengal	46	12	26.09
UNION TERRITORY			
Daman & Diu	1	0	0.00
Dadar & Nagar Haveli	7	0	0.00
Pondicherry	11	0	0.00
TOTAL	2057	305	14.83

Revision of jute cess

3166. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased ot state:

(a) whether Government propose to revise jute cess to 2 per cent *ad-valorem* on jute makers;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the additional amount likely to be collected; and

(c) what will be done with the cess so collected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to revise the jute cess on jute manufactures to 1 per cent *ad-valorem* at present, subject to a maximum of 2 per cent *ad-valorem.*

The additional amount likely to be collected as a result of revised cess at 1per cent *ad-valorem* is estimated at Rs. 9 crore.

(c) The cess collected on jute manufactures will be utilized by Jute Manufactures Development Council (JMDC) to take up a range of activities for the development of the jute industry, particularly in the context of the need for improving productivity and competitiveness in the jute sector. The cess collections will also enable JMDC to meet its obligations towards meeting the commitments under External Market Assistance (EMA) to exporters on specified jute products.